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In re Application of :
William Gray, Gerald Smith, :
Carl Larkin, Lee Peart, :
Peter Saunders, Stuart Fiske and :
Darren Morford :
Application No. 10/607,144 :
Filed: June 26, 2003 :
Attorney Docket No. 37355-131 :
Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR :
CONDUCTING SECURE ELECTRONIC :
TRANSACTIONS :

DECISION NOTING JOINDER
OF INVENTOR AND PETITION
UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a) MOOT

This is a decision on the "Request for Reconsideration of
Petition under 37 CFR § 1.47(a)," filed August 25, 2004.

The petition is **DISMISSED AS MOOT**.

The above-identified application was filed on June 3, 2002,
without an executed oath or declaration. William Gray, Gerald
Smith, Carl Larkin, Lee Peart, Peter Saunders, Stuart Fiske and
Darren Morford were named as joint inventors. In reply to the
"Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application -
Filing Date Granted" mailed September 16, 2003, applicants timely
filed the initial petition under § 1.47(a) for acceptance of the
declaration without the signature of inventor Morford. The
petition was dismissed for failure to submit an acceptable
declaration and for failure to provide the last known address of
inventor Morford (Decision mailed May 4, 2004).

On instant request for reconsideration, made timely by an
accompanying petition and fee for extension of time within
the second month, applicants replied filing a declaration
executed by previously non-signing inventor Darren Morford. This
declaration has been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR
1.47.

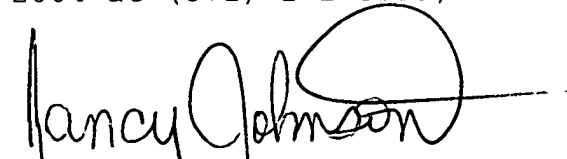
In view of the joinder of the joint inventor, further
consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is not necessary and the
petition is considered moot. This application does not have any
Rule 1.47(a) status and no such status should appear on the file
wrapper. This application need not be returned to this Office
for further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a).

The application file is being returned to the Office of Initial
Patent Examination for completion of pre-examination processing.

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Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-0309 (or on or after September 28, 2004 at (571) 272-3219).

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